

BALDWIN BALLOON
CHEERED ON TRIPThousands Witness Flight
at Fort Myer, Va.

PERFECTLY CONTROLLED

Yielded Readily to Every Whim
of the Aviator.Ascension and Journey, Which Covered
a Period of Seven Minutes
in Time, Demonstrated Military
Adaptability of the Dirigible—In-
ventor Enthusiastic Over Success
of Flight—Another Trial To-day.Darting into midair like an uncaged
eagle, soaring 200 feet above the heads of
5,000 cheering men and women for seven
minutes, and yielding to every whim of
the navigators, Capt. Thomas Baldwin's
dirigible, proved a success beyond the
wildest dreams of the inventors at Fort
Myer, Va., yesterday evening.The premier ascension and tour of the
mammoth gas bag demonstrated beyond
peradventure the military adaptability of
the dirigible invented by Capt. Baldwin.
It will hold a high place in the world of
aeronautical experiments. From a
popular and spectacular viewpoint it was
one of the greatest free shows ever wit-
nessed by the Washington public. Long
after the "inflated dirt pickle" had been
lowered, cheers for Capt. Baldwin and
Engineer Glen Curtiss rent the air.Dignitaries on the Ground.
Secretary of War Luke R. Wright, Gen.
J. Franklin Bell, chief of staff; Gen. Al-
len, Maj. Squires, Lieut. Foulis, Capt.
Brunell, Capt. Charles Wallace, and a
number of other dignitaries of the War
Department, and officers of the U. S. A.
Signal Corps, witnessed the inaugural
flight of the huge gas bag, and were loud
in their praise of the airship and its in-
ventors.Lieut. Lahm, one of the balloon experts
of the Signal Corps, who sailed from
Paris to the coast of England in a free
balloon, was one of the most interested
spectators. While the balloon was in the
air he commented frequently and favorably
on the flight of the dirigible, and the
perfect control under which it was kept
by Capt. Baldwin. After the gas-
filled envelope descended, at almost the
identical spot from which it started,
Lieut. Lahm said:"I am very much impressed with the
machine and Capt. Baldwin's handling of
it. The Signal Corps is much encouraged
as a result of the flight. It looks to be
a splendid success."But the happiest man in the broad land,
however, was Capt. Baldwin. His enthu-
siasm over his success knew no
bounds."It's a dream!" he shouted as he clam-
bered out of the framework of the dirig-
ible after the flight."Those steering planes are the candy
kids. The machine succeeded beyond my
fondest hopes. The government money
is ours. This is the pancake ship, and
will prove the greatest thing the aéro-
nautical world has ever heard of.""I am perfectly satisfied with the flight.
I knew the machine could do the work,
and never hope to see any airship behave
better. We had her under absolute con-
trol from the time she shot into the air
until we landed her back in the tent. If
anybody can improve on this machine it
will have to be some one other than my-
self. It is perfect, and I feel confident
we have won the \$10,000 offered by the
government."Thirty-six Miles an Hour.
"I am informed the balloon traveled at
a rate of thirty-six miles an hour to-day.
We did not go in for speed, as we were
traveling with the engine open only one
point. To-morrow afternoon we will test
the speed of the airship, and hope to
make at least twenty miles through the
air at an elevation of 200 or 300 feet. Be-
ing a new machine, never tried by a hu-
man being before, I was naturally a trifle
nervous about things to-day, but since
the balloon has shown it is perfectly
tractable and docile, I will remain in the
air longer to-morrow."Lauded the Inventor.
Gen. Curtis, known in the aeronautical
world as the "bug pilot," deserves
unreserved praise for the success of the
dirigible. Capt. Baldwin lauded the in-
ventor of the engine last night. Mr. Cur-
tis is a modest man, but he said after the
flight he was greatly elated over the
initial voyage of the balloon."Both the engine and the steering
planes worked beautifully," said Mr. Cur-
tis after the flight. "I am satisfied the
engine is as near perfect for navigating
purposes as it is possible for human in-
geniety to devise. We shot up 200 feet
in the air as soon as the balloon was li-
berated, and the engine worked perfectly
throughout the seven minutes we were
above the earth. I had the throttle open
only one point all the time, yet the prop-
eller was whirled around 230 times a
minute, and we maintained a good speed
all the while.""We were particularly anxious to see
the steering planes perform. They were
the only things about the machine we
were not certain of, but they certainly
proved their good caliber, and worth this
evening. Capt. Baldwin is a much heavier
man than I, and for that reason it
was necessary for me to keep the steer-
ing planes set directly downward. The
balance of the machine will be more equal
in our next flight, and the planes will
then remain absolutely level, except when
we want to ascend or descend. We are
satisfied we have the very article the
government is looking for, and glory in
our victory."Enthusiastic Spectators.
When the gray cigar-shaped dirigible
was lowered to within reaching distance
of the spectators, 5,000 frantically en-
thusiastic persons crowded around it,
every one of them shouting words of
praise to Capt. Baldwin and Mr. Curtiss,
and many fighting their way to the front
to grasp the hands of the air sailors.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia
and Maryland—Partly cloudy to-
day, possibly occasional showers.
To-morrow fair; little change in
temperature; light to fresh south-
erly winds.

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

- TELEGRAPHIC.
1—Senator Allison Dies at Dubuque.
1—Forest Fire Stuns Citizens of Fernie.
1—Bank Clerk Kills Himself in Vault.
2—President Repeats His Denial.
3—Labor Leader Praises Taft.
3—Zeppelin Makes Record Flight.
3—Want Taft Banner Kept Up at Lincoln.
5—Senate Currency Commission Sails.
- LOCAL.
1—Baldwin in Successful Flight.
1—District Attorney in Accident.
1—Mrs. Kyle Denies Elopement Story.
1—Fort Washington Taken by Enemy.
2—Man Dies on an Operating Table.
2—Julia LeGros Not Yet Found.
2—Aged Workman Killed in Fall.
4—Decision Arouses Liquor Men.
4—Allison Mourned in Capital.
5—Gompers' Letter to Mr. Brinkman.
12—Treasury Monthly Put in Place.
12—Hot Wave Strikes Washington.
12—Public Affairs Favored.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
IN AUTO ACCIDENTDaniel W. Baker and Bride
Go Over Precipice.

HAVE A MARVELOUS ESCAPE

Machine Loops-the-loop Three Times
and Lands in a Tree—Chauffeur's
Right Ear Cut Off and Car Demolished—
Mr. and Mrs. Baker Said to
Be on Their Way to Washington.Twice within nineteen months District
Attorney Daniel W. Baker has miracu-
lously escaped a horrible death in an
accident. He and his bride, of a few
weeks came out of a sensational and
spectacular automobile mishap in New
York yesterday with only a few bruises.
On December 31, 1906, Mr. Baker figured
in the frightful wreck at Terra Cotta,
D. C., in which forty-nine persons were
killed. He escaped with slight injuries
to his head, while persons occupying seats
in the same car were killed outright.
Yesterday afternoon an automobile, in
which Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Dr. G. E.
Jelliffe, who testified in the Thaw case,
and for the government in the Anna M.
Bradley case; Mr. Mangin, and Miss
McNamara, of Washington, were riding,
crashed over a precipice, "looped the
loop" three times and landed in a tree,
with the courageous District attorney
and his bride retaining their seats
throughout the performance.Dr. Jelliffe and the chauffeur leaped
from the ungovernable machine before
it plunged over the brink of the steep
bluff. The celebrated alienist escaped in-
jury. The chauffeur's right ear was cut
off as a result of coming in violent con-
tact with the rough bark of a tree. The
car was demolished.

Party Leaves New York.

District Attorney Baker and the other
Washington members of the party, left
New York last night for Washington, but
at a late hour their friends had not
heard from them, and the Baker home, in
Columbia road, was dark.Mr. Baker was married to Miss Hen-
rietta Wheeler Lewis, a popular Wash-
ington and Maryland society girl, on the
evening of June 23. The wedding was
solemnized in St. Rose's Catholic Church,
with several prominent priests officiating.
The festivities attracted more than 300
persons, and proved to be a great social
function.Mrs. Baker is twenty-one years old.
She is a daughter of Mrs. W. W. Lewis,
of Clarksville, Md.Immediately after the wedding, Mr.
Baker and his bride went on a honey-
moon trip of ten days. Afterward they
returned to the district attorney's hand-
some country home at Germantown, Md.
Capt. Baldwin, after the flight, an-
nounced them "at home" in Germantown
after September 1.About a week ago Mr. and Mrs. Baker
and their friends went on an automobile
trip to New York. It was a sharp
turn of ten days. Afterward they
returned to the district attorney's hand-
some country home at Germantown, Md.
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nounced them "at home" in Germantown
after September 1.Up a Crooked Road.
The road up the mountain is crooked,
and difficult to travel, but the top was
reached without incident. Trouble oc-
curred shortly after the descent was be-
gun. At one point on the rough and
rocky mountain side there is a sharp
turn, with a precipice 300 feet alongside.
A few moments before this perilous
point was reached, Harris Bradley, chauff-
eur, who had never made the trip be-
fore, lost control of the machine. The
automobile gained speed momentarily be-
cause the chauffeur was unable to make
the brake work. Hurting down the
steep, rocky mountain side, the party
decided to travel to the top of the his-
toric Walnut Mountain before leaving
New York.Pinned in the Car.
District Attorney Baker, Mrs. Baker,
Miss McNamara, and Mr. Mangin were
pinned in the car by the heavy top.
As the car went over the side of the
road it struck a rock and turned com-
pletely over. The side of the precipice is
a complete network of rocks and trees,
and the car made a complete circle
before it struck the top of a tree and
held fast, the wheels in the air and
the passengers huddled in a heap in
the overturned top.Dr. Jelliffe scrambled down the moun-
tain side to the wrecked car, expecting to
find the driver dead.Summer Specials—Artistic Designs and
Motifs. 22 and up. Blackstone, 14th & H.MRS. KYLE DENIES
ELOPEMENT STORYReturns to City and Gives
Out a Statement.

HOBSON ONLY A FRIEND

Went to New York City to Ob-
tain Employment.Admits She Stopped in Same Board-
ing House at Which Hobson Was
Staying, Because She Knew Him,
and Because He Was Going to Aid
Her in Getting Something to Do.
Hobson Brought Back to City.Following the arrival here yesterday
morning of Edward M. Hobson, who is
charged with embezzlement from the
Hope Live Stock Mutual Benefit Com-
pany, and who is alleged to have eloped
to New York with Mrs. Raymond Kyle
last week, Mrs. Kyle returned to the city
last night and went to the home of her
sister at 302 Virginia avenue southeast.When seen by a representative of The
Washington Herald she was not inclined
to talk at first, saying she and Hobson
had been so often misrepresented by the
newspapers here and in New York that
she did not wish to have anything to say,
but as a result of an effort at persuasion
she changed her mind.Mrs. Kyle, who is an attractive woman
of about twenty-five years of age, with
dark eyes contrasting her light hair,
seemed to accept her situation stoically.
She has not seen Hobson since he was
arrested in New York, and does not ex-
pect to visit him here.Ran Away from Home.
On October 18, 1907, Mrs. Kyle, who was
Miss Nellie Peck, ran away from home,
against the wishes of her family, and
was married to Raymond Kyle, in Alex-
andria, Va. Returning to the city they
lived happily together for several
months, Kyle, the while, working at his
trade as a plate printer.Mrs. Kyle said:
"Yes, we lived happily for a couple of
months, although my husband never
worked steadily at his trade. In fact
he was unable to provide me with nec-
essary clothes, and my father was
obliged to come to my rescue."
"For a long time I bore it in silence.
He fell in with one particular boon com-
panion, who was always with him to
help spend his money.""Matters grew from bad to worse. My
husband would bring this friend home at
all hours of the day and night. Finally I
could stand it no longer, and I told him
he would have to choose between his friend
and me. He promised to quit the man,
but did not do so. So, about the first of
last March, I left him, and went back to
live with my father and mother.""I grew restless, and wanted to obtain
work, in order to support myself. I tried,
but failed. Then I went to 94 New York
avenue to live. It was while there, about
one month ago, Mr. Hobson was intro-
duced to me by a mutual friend.""We were very good friends—nothing
more. He came to see me once or twice
a week. The story that he spent a great
deal of money in making his plans, that
I was responsible for breaking a life
home, that is also false. Mr. Hobson
told me, and I believe him, that he has
not lived with his wife for some six
months.""Well, I still had the independence and
ambition to get something to do, and at
last decided to try the advice of a friend
of mine in New York, and go there to
seek employment. I also have an uncle
there."Denies an Elopement.
"Did I elope with Hobson? Certainly
not. I want you to make that plain.
When I decided to go to New York, and
said that I had never been there before
and knew nothing of the city, Mr. Hobson
remarked that he had to go up there soon
on business. He then altered his plans
in order to go at the same time I did,
to assist me in finding what I was after.""We each had a room in the same
boarding-house, and we were there when
the police came for Mr. Hobson."
Mrs. Kyle said her plans for the future
were not definite, but that she expected
to go back to New York, or go to Phila-
delphia. In regard to her present hus-
band, she declared she would have sought
a divorce from him long ago if she had
not been advised she had no cause for
which a divorce is granted in this city.Asked what she might know about the
trouble in which Hobson is alleged to be
with the Hope Live Stock Mutual Benefit
Company, Mrs. Kyle said she thought
there was some mistake. She said the
New York agent of the same firm had
said that Hobson was all right, and that
he would give him a position in that of-
fice whenever he wanted it.Before Justice Barnard.
Immediately after arriving here yester-
day from New York, in charge of a
United States deputy marshal, Hobson
was taken before Justice Barnard in the
District Supreme Court and remanded to
jail in default of \$4,000 bail. The charge
on which he was sentenced to jail is em-
bezzlement from the Hope Live Stock
Mutual Benefit Company.Hobson, who claims he is a cousin of
Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson,
after being remanded to jail refused to
discuss his escapade with Mrs. Kyle,
saying: "I left Washington because I
preferred Mrs. Kyle. I have said the
necessary statements upon her arrival
here to-night."His trip to New York with Mrs. Kyle
has caused widespread attention. In-
much as his wife and three children have
been left practically destitute, and Mrs.
Kyle's husband has been reported as con-
templating flight proceedings.The accused man said there had been
no misunderstanding between himself
and the company.
"I had been employed by a firm af-
filiated with the Washington company
until my arrest, and no friction existed,"
said he. "I intend to resume my posi-
tion there as soon as this matter is ad-
justed."

BRONSON HOWARD DEAD.

Succumbs to Heart Disease After a
Year's Illness.
Aven by the Sea, N. J., Aug. 4.—Bronson
Howard, the playwright, died this after-
noon of heart trouble. Death followed a
year's illness, and, though sudden, was
not entirely unexpected.
Funeral services will be held here on
Thursday and interment will be made in a
vault pending the removal of the body to
Detroit.

CHICAGO FIREBOAT SUNK.

Spectacular Finale to that City's
\$1,000,000 Blaze.
Chicago, Aug. 4.—The steel fireboat Il-
linois, the pride of the Chicago fire de-
partment, went to the bottom of the river
to-day as the culmination of the disas-
trous blaze which wiped out two grain
elevators, freight houses and other build-
ings with a loss of \$1,000,000 yesterday.
The fireboat was sunk by the collapse of
the east wall of Elevator F, located
near Sixteenth street. A number of fire-
men were injured and narrowly escaped
death by drowning when the crash came.
There was nothing to indicate that dan-
ger was near.
The boat, valued at \$200,000, received
the full force of the terrific crash and
was crushed in like an eggshell. The
engine room and the fire-fighting machin-
ery were reduced to a tangled mass of
steel, and the craft sank immediately.FORT WASHINGTON
TAKEN BY ENEMYTheoretically the Stronghold
Is Now Off the Map.

ARE MARCHING ON CAPITAL

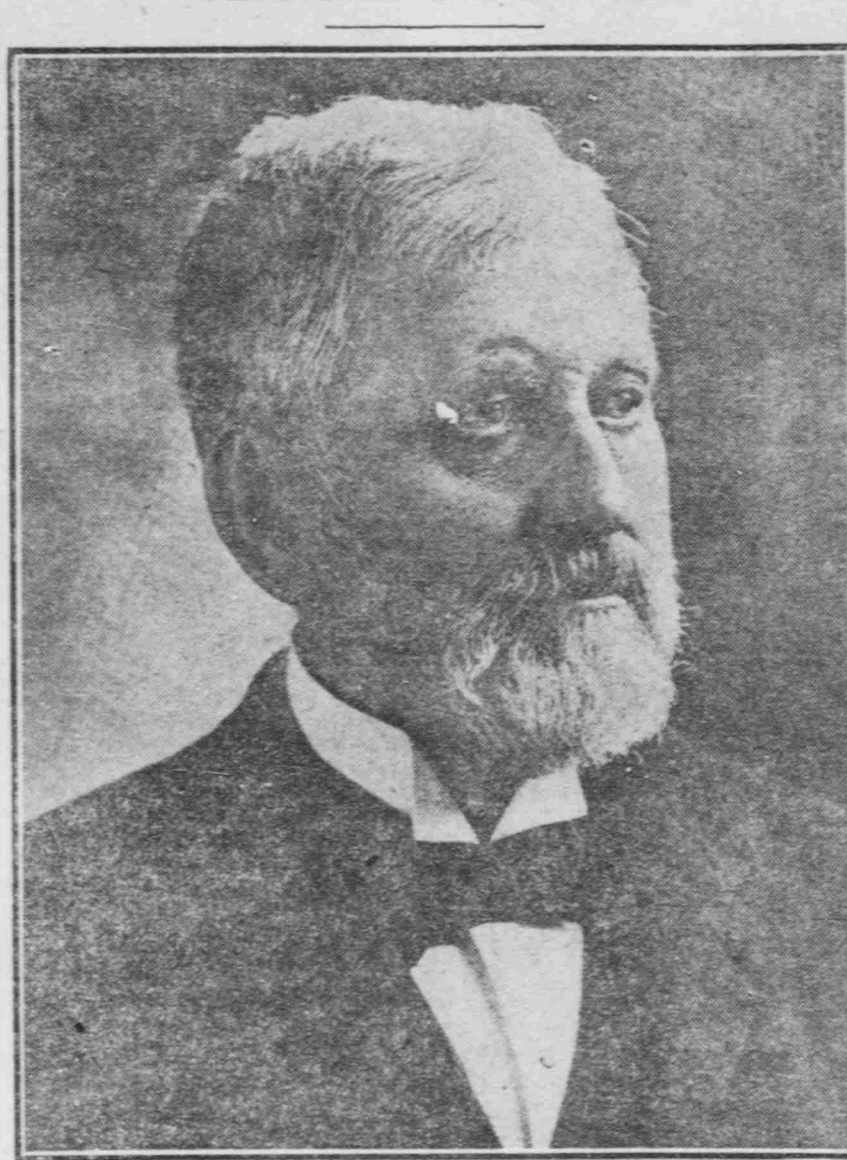
Invaders Under Command of Lieut.
Col. Reichelderfer, of the First
Regiment, Successfully Storm the
Ramparts, but Are Repulsed—Main
Force Makes Successful Landing.

From a Staff Correspondent.

Fort Washington, Aug. 4.—Fort Wash-
ington has fallen into the hands of the
enemy. This last gateway and stronghold
of the nation's Capital was taken by
storm about 10 o'clock to-night, and as
Fort Hunt is theoretically off the map,
for to-night at least, Washington is at
the mercy of the victorious army.Landing in small boats, the invaders,
under command of Lieut. Col. Reichel-
derfer, of the First Regiment, attempt-
ed to storm the ramparts. They were
repulsed on both flanks. The main force
made a successful landing and captured
with little opposition, every important
position in the fort. The spectacle was
greatly enjoyed by the hundreds of men
who were theoretically nonexistent, and
who sat around at points of vantage,
watching the progress of the fight.Station Is Blown Up.
The pumping station was blown up. The
tower station was put out of business.
The fire and battle commands stations
were captured, and Col. O'Rand, of the
First Regiment, commanding the defense,
was captured, as was everything of value.
The drill by the batteries and the great
Beet, theoretically anchored below Indian
head, will probably sail on Washington.None of the big guns was used against
the enemy. The men detailed to man
them are still at drill, using the passing
steamers as targets, and they paid no
attention to being captured, but kept up
their work.Several days ago Lieut. Chandler threat-
ened to capture the Fort Washington
"liquid commissary," and he did. Every-
thing else was taken, incidentally.The attacking force under Lieut. Col.
Reichelderfer, with the support instruc-
tors from Fort Hunt under Capt. Childs,
embarked soon after sunset and made
preparations for the attack. The two
battalions of support under Col. O'Rand,
who was to conduct the defense, were
disposed along the water front, with
three companies at headquarters as re-
serve. Displaying excellent strategy, the
enemy did not attempt to land a con-
centrated force at any one point, but
split into four parties and landed where-
ever possible.Take Part of Company.
Part of Company A, under command of
Capt. Harry Walsh, the first land party,
was captured first. The First Separate
Battery succeeded in landing in Pisca-
way Creek, which empties into the Po-
tomac on the south side of the promon-
tory, but when Capt. Bean's company of
reserves arrived, they were captured.Capt. Taft's company captured Maj.
McCarthy with his party, but the cen-
tral party landing north of the en-
gineers' wharf, with Lieut. Col. Reichel-
derfer, Capt. Childs, and Lieut. Chandler,
got in unopposed. In the melee caused
by the capture of Capt. Walsh, his com-
mand did all the damage in the fort, cap-
turing Col. O'Rand in the headquarters
tent, where he was conducting the de-
fense.Under actual conditions, however, none
of the attacking party would have suc-
ceeded in making a landing, as they were
picked up and would have been annihi-
lated half a mile from shore.Preparing for Attack.
Preparations for to-night's encounter
have been in progress all day on both
sides of the river. Attacking and defend-
ing forces have been equally busy. The
regular drills in the morning were con-
verted into a preliminary for to-night's
attack and defense. The men at the guns
fired the first real charges, and although
they were blanks, they made as much
noise as the regular service charges. Un-
der Col. Coffin's orders, there were but
three charges for each gun this morning.
Each succeeding day the allowance will
be increased.The colonel wants the militiamen to be-
come used to firing real charges gradu-
ally, and also to work the guns gradu-
ally. Both last year and this, he has ex-
ercised every caution to prevent an ac-
cident of any sort, and in view of the

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NESTOR OF THE SENATE.



WILLIAM B. ALLISON.

Of Iowa, who died yesterday at his home in Dubuque.

TAKES HIS LIFE
IN BANK'S VAULTYoung Clerk Afraid to Face
Checks Without Cash.

CASHIER'S GLANCE IS FATAL

Locks Himself in Big Money Vault
and Is Found Dead with Bullet
Through His Head When Sent For
to Be Questioned—Began Career
in Bank as an Office Boy.New York, Aug. 4.—Charles Wuester-
feld, a twenty-year-old junior clerk in
the Produce Exchange Bank, at 11 Broad-
way, watching the paying teller shortly
after noon to-day, noticed that official
scrutinize two checks and then steal a
glance in his direction. The boy promptly
disappeared, and two hours later was
found dead in a dark vault in the base-
ment of the bank, with a bullet wound
through his head.The bank officials will not reveal the
name of the persons to whom the boy
gave the checks, but it is supposed that
he was hovering about the paying teller's com-
partment all morning, probably hoping
that the checks would not appear. When
they did he became panic-stricken, and
killed himself.The checks were for \$20 each, drawn
yesterday on the bank, and Wuesterfeld
had no account there to meet them.
Started as Office Boy.
Young Wuesterfeld went into the bank
when he was thirteen years old, as an
office boy. By strict attention to business
he had worked himself up to a junior
clerkship, and was to have been promoted
to a place in the bookkeeping department
on September 1. He appeared at the
bank today at his usual time and went
to work, but found time to make fre-
quent trips to the vicinity of the paying
teller's cage.When the fatal checks appeared, young
Wuesterfeld remarked to one of his fellow
clerks that he was going into the vault
to make an examination of some checks
in order to trace a slight error on his
books. He showed no signs of agitation,
and it was not uncommon for him to
make trips to the vault to look up
checks about which there was some ques-
tion.No Account in Bank.
The paying teller, to whom the two \$20
checks were handed in the course of busi-
ness, was amazed when he saw the name
of Charles Wuesterfeld signed to them. He
knew the junior clerk had no account in
the bank. After some hesitation he took
the checks to the office of John Wood,
the cashier, who happened to be out at
luncheon. By the time Mr. Wood re-
turned, young Wuesterfeld had been miss-
ing nearly an hour. The cashier and the
teller talked the matter over and decided
to send for the clerk and question him.
They learned that he was not at his desk.Daniel F. Cullen, Jr., another clerk, was
called. Cullen said he thought Wuester-
feld was in the vault, and was instructed
to go after him. In a few minutes Cul-
lin rushed up into the bank with his face
white and his eyes popping. He said he
had found the doors of the vault closed
but not locked. Opening the doors he
stepped in and turned on the electric
light. Wuesterfeld was lying across a
book trunk on the steel floor dead. His
right hand, clutching a revolver, was
lying across his chest. Blood was trick-
ling from a hole in his temple.

SILK IN FAST RACE.

Shipment Worth Nearly \$1,000,000
to Be Carried in Passenger Cars.
Victoria, B. C., Aug. 4.—With a shipment
of silk valued at nearly a million dollars,
part of a large shipment made by three
steamers, which left Yokohama to race
across the Pacific, the steamer Montague
arrived last night after a passage of
twelve days, sixteen hours in advance of
the Japanese steamer Tosa Maru, and of
the Pacific Mail steamer Siberia, which
left the Japanese port four days earlier.
The silk will be sent to New York by
express train in passenger cars.

Largest Morning Circulation.

FERNIE IS STUNNED
BY FIRE TRAGEDYBritish Columbia Town Needs
Tents and Blankets.

SEARCHERS FIND MANY BODIES

Loss Now Is Placed at \$4,000,000.
Bank Vaults Too Hot to Open—One
Camp Containing Sixty Persons Is
Silent and All Are Believed to
Be Lost—Much Petty Thieving.Fernie, B. C., Aug. 4.—To-day a rough
estimate of the loss places it at \$4,000,000.
No liquor is sold, and no disorder has
occurred.
Tents, blankets, and clothing are now
most needed.
Several safes and vaults have been
opened and their contents found intact.
Bank vaults are still too hot to open.
Twenty-six dead have been recovered
from the debris in and around Fernie.
This is the known death list to date. A
camp containing sixty men and two women
in the devastated region is silent, and it
is feared all have perished.This is the latest aspect of the disaster
in the valley, though many corpses are
expected to be found in time in isolated
sections where the inhabitants fled on
approach of the flames.
It is damp and cloudy to-night, with
the smoke so thick that one cannot see fifty
yards. The miners are doing good work.Much Petty Thieving.
Considerable petty thieving has been at-
tempted, but scores of special and British
Columbia police are doing effective
work and malefactors are punished as
soon as found. There is no jail and the
officers chastise the culprits with swift
justice.The basement of a coal office is being
used as a morgue. Fifteen dead bodies
are laid out there.Either the capacity is too great to be
realized yet, or Fernie's citizens are most
exceptional. Women take matters as
calmly and cheerfully as the men and
smile at their losses.The fire originated in the smoldering
brush fires that for the past month or so
have been lurking around the limits of
the Cedar Valley Lumber Company. Twice
it was supposed that rain had gotten the
better of the fire, but the tornado of Sat-
urday woke up the smoldering embers
afresh.

RELIEF GOODS DUTY FREE.

Canadian Government Issues Orders
to Help Fire Victims.Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 4.—The department
of customs has given orders for the ad-
mission into Canada free of duty of all
supplies from the United States for the
relief of the British Columbia fire suf-
ferers.

Children Endangered by Fire.

Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 4.—With the
thermometer at 95, the highest record for
this summer, the entire fire department
battled from two until four o'clock this
afternoon with flames that destroyed
three barns and attacked fourteen houses,
including the main building of the Lady
Jane Grey School for Girls, situated in
one of the most thickly populated sections
of the city. In two of the houses chil-
dren were rescued with difficulty. A num-
ber of firemen were overcome with the
heat. The loss is \$5,000.

DU PONT CHIEF SPELLBINDER.

Cousin of Senator to Run Taft Cam-
paign in Delaware.New York, Aug. 4.—Gen. T. Coleman
Du Pont, Republican national commit-
tee man from Delaware, is to have charge
of the speakers' bureau in the Taft cam-
paign.
He will make his headquarters in this
city, and will in a few days remove, with
his family, to New York. He is a cousin
of United States Senator Henry A. Du
Pont, of Delaware.\$5.00 Week-end Excursions
To Atlantic seaside resorts via Baltimore
and Ohio Railroad every Friday and Sat-
urday. Consult agents.SENATOR ALLISON
DIES AT DUBUQUEHeart Disease Fatal to the
Veteran Iowan.

BECAME ILL SATURDAY

Seized with Spell While on a
Country Visit.Taken Home in Comatose Condition
and Never Rallied from Weakness,
to Which He Had Been Subject for
Two Years—Few Persons Aware of
His Serious Condition Until End
Came—His Distinguished Career.Dubuque, Iowa, Aug. 4.—United States
Senator Allison died at his home in this
city at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The
immediate cause of his death was heart
failure.The end came as a result of sinking
spells due to a prostatic enlargement
complicated with kidney disease, and dur-
ing a period of unconsciousness which
had lasted since Saturday afternoon.Two weeks ago Senator Allison left his
home in the city to escape the heat. He
went to the home of Mrs. Fannie Stout,
a friend of the family, living on the
Asbury road, a few miles from the city.
For a few days his condition seemed to
improve, but he later began to grow
worse. Medical advisers urged that an
operation be performed to relieve pros-
tatic enlargement, which was bringing his
condition to a crisis.Saturday morning the Senator was
brought to his home in this city, soon
after which he relapsed into a condition
of almost unconsciousness. With brief
spells, when he recovered somewhat, he
has remained in this condition until death
came to his relief this afternoon.

NESTOR OF THE SENATE.